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Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Board Of Physical Therapy Examiners

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BOARD MEETING OPEN MINUTES

December 20, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 1:03 p.m. by the Vice Chairperson,
Lori Mizell, PT.

Call to Order

Board members present:

Rhea Cohn, PT
Ved Gupta, Consumer Member
Krystal Lighty, PT
Lois Rosedom-Boyd, Consumer Member
Donald Novak, PT

Board members absent:

John Baker, PT
Kimberly Rotondo, PTA

Also Present:

Carlton A. Curry, Esq, Executive Director
Linda Bethman, AAG, Board Counsel
Brett Felter, Staff Attorney, Board Counsel
John Bull, Compliance Manager/Investigator
Eric Jordan, Investigator
Ann Tyminski, Consultant
Deborah Jackson, Licensing Coordinator
Nancy Staniel, Board Secretary

Guests:

Kristen Neville, Legislative Specialist

The minutes of the meeting held on November 15, 2011 were approved with modifications.

Minutes

Carlton A. Curry reviewed a letter which he had drafted regarding the Board of Physician's proposed regulations. The Board voted to approve the letter as written.

Board of
Physicians/Proposed
Regulations.

Karen Cole, PT, wrote the Board to inquire if a PTA can treat a former nursing facility patient in a home setting according to the PT's treatment plan. The Board discussed and agreed that a PTA can treat, but not assess, the patient in a home setting under this circumstance.

K. Cole, PT/PTAs and
Home Visits

Shannon Kriner, PT, wrote the Board requesting clarity concerning documenting and billing services provided by a PT and PTA. The Board discussed the issue and agreed that the treating therapist is responsible for documenting the therapist who actually provided the service. The Board also agreed to refer Ms. Kriner to her facility's billing policy for her specific billing questions.

Shannon Kriner,PT/
Documentation and
Billing Practices

Maria von Kollmar, PT, wrote the Board to inquire whether a discharge note is always required. The Board agreed to refer Ms. Von Kollmar to the Practice Act for current regulations regarding discharge note requirements.

M. von Kollmar,PT/
Discharge Note

Brett Felter, Staff Attorney, reviewed a draft of the Dry Needling regulations. Several amendments were made, after which, the Board voted to approve the proposed regulations as amended. There was also a suggestion that the document be released to APTA and the public for comments and suggestions. The Board will revisit this issue at the next board meeting on January 17, 2012.

Brett Felter/Dry
Needling Regs

Carlton A. Curry updated the Board on the informal meeting held on November 28, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. with representatives of the Maryland APTA.

APTA-MD meeting

Ann Tyminski will discuss proposed regulations, Medical Care Programs and Increased Community Services at the next meeting on January 17, 2011.

A. Tyminski/Medical
Care Programs

Krystal Lighty, PT updated the Board on the purpose and the activities of the committee. Ms. Lighty advised the Board that a draft of factors that a therapist should consider regarding continuing competency will be presented to the board as soon as it is completed.

Continuing
Competency
Committee Update

Deborah Jackson presented an update and testing chart to the Board regarding the status of applicants and NPTE test results.

Licensing Update

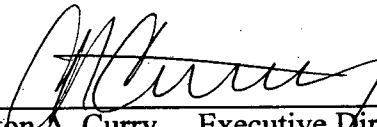
The Board voted to deny the following continuing education course applications: "*A Complementary and Integrative Practices Potpourri*", because the course is not relevant to the practice of physical therapy; "*Food Addictions, Overeating, and Mood Swings*"; because the course is not relevant to the practice of physical therapy. "*Food, Stress, and the Brain*"; because the course is not relevant to the practice of physical therapy. "*Anita Alter-King, PT - Patient Advocacy Program offered by University of Miami*"; because the course is not relevant to the practice of physical therapy.

Mr. Gupta left the session at 2:30 p.m.

There was a motion and a second to close the open session at 3:05 p.m. to engage in medical review committee deliberations regarding confidential information in applications for licensure, in accordance with State Government Article, Section 10-508 (a) (7) and (13). Unless recused, all Board members and staff who were present for the open session were also in attendance for both the closed and administrative sessions.

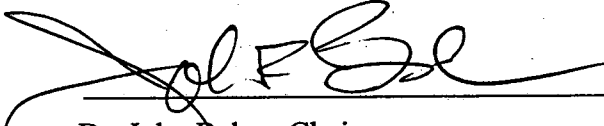
The board meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Carlton A. Curry, Executive Director

Date approved



Dr. John Baker, Chairperson